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**To:** Bennett, Jim  
**Subject:** RE: Sand Mining

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**Sent:** Sunday, September 13, 2015 3:23 PM  
**To:** Bennett, Jim  
**Cc:** 'Robin Pawl'  
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To whom it may concern,

The Strip Mining proposal is a disaster in the long term. That particular roadway for multiple reasons cannot and will not be able to handle the heavy trucking industry. The mining itself will be a definite breach of peace, quiet and enjoyment of property owners in/all along this roadway. The noise factor and diesel pollution will ruin the air quality in this area especially due to lack of breeze within the walls of this canyon area. It will be very disturbing to the many, many horse boarding facilities and horses. This road will no longer be safe for horseback riding given majority of horses located in this area which was the main reason folks moved "out" to have the enjoyment of said animal only now to be invaded by industry.

Having worked in mining for many years, land replacement is NEVER restored to what it was. Merely filling this striped mined land with water to form a pond is only increasing the potential for West Niles Virus which I guarantee you NO ONE in this county is going to spend the money or time to treat this new pond area to protect the people and horses which both are tremendously susceptible to this deadly virus. I get it. It is cheaper to fill it back up with water, only to leach out over time, then to bring dirt back in. Then again, we are having a water issue. This entire scenario is wrong no matter how you look at it. You are creating a land hazard and "attractive Nuisance" for all the children who enjoy exploring the areas around their homes. Merely creating a pond is going to be nothing but a breeding ground for the mosquito again creating yet another nuisance for the general population in this area in the evenings. So, you sit there and say, well we will use the sprays to control. NOT! Again you are putting the lives of the live stock in great danger exposing them to such an air borne chemical.

Running such a business in such close proximity of a rural residential area will 100% diminish the existing value of each and every home. It is bad enough home value is suffering from the economy that we don't need something of this magnitude to keep this area economically depressed.

Again, I guarantee all of these remedies the county will propose to diffuse the citizens concerns for this project will never materialize. This project is all about money with no regard for the land or welfare of the general public or horses, cattle, etc. These proposals and remedies are merely words and nothing more and a way to skirt around the problems, shut up the public so you can make a buck. Soon, you will be leasing out property to Frack. This will truly be a sad day.

Please reconsider the may permanent & long term negative effects of this mining project. I can't see anything good coming of this project in this area other then lining the pockets of the already rich. I have seen what it ultimately does to the environment over a period of time. Nothing good can come of this.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandy Draper